

CITIZEN'S INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT)

Project Review Committee

Wednesday, November 10, 2004

Stephen P. Clark Center

111 NW 1st Street

10th Floor Conference Room

3p.m.

Summary of Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT:

LtCol Antonio Colmenares, Chairman

Marc A. Buoniconti

Franklin Kelly

Miles Moss

Hon. James Reeder

COUNTY ATTORNEY

Bruce Libhaber

OTHERS PRESENT:

Nan Markowitz, Executive Director, OCITT

Theodore Wilde, CITT

Pepe Valdes, OCITT

Joanna Santiago, OCITT

David Tinder, PWD

Betty Alexander, DBD

Zenaida Hernandez, OCITT

Lourdes Gomez, MDT

Aimee Martinez, MDT

Karen MacNeil, MDT

Jack Furney, OCITT

Lawrence Percival, KFHA

Paul Conley, MDT

ROLL CALL

With a quorum present, LtCol Antonio Colmenares called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Reeder moved for the approval of the revised agenda; seconded by Mr. Buoniconti and carried without dissent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Reeder moved for the approval of the October 13, 2004, and October 27, 2004, meeting minutes; seconded by Mr. Buoniconti and carried without dissent.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

None

PRESENTATION/ REPORTS/ OLD BUSINESS

None

ACTION ITEMS

- 6A. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION APPROVING THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT'S (PWD) REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF COMPETITIVE BIDS AND APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. ONE TO THE CONTRACT WITH SIGNAL SERVICES INDUSTRIES, INC., FOR ANNUAL TRAFFIC SIGNAL SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT NO. 18, PROJECT NO. 671811 FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Mr. Reeder moved for approval of Action Item 6A; seconded by Mr. Kelly and carried without dissent.

- 6B. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (CITT) ACTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT BETWEEN METRO EXPRESS, INC. AND THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (PWD), FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) PROJECT ENTITLED SIDEWALK - PROJECT NO. 20030007

Mr. Reeder moved for approval of Action Item 6B; seconded by Mr. Kelly and carried without dissent.

- 6C. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT NUMBER TR04-TSB WITH ADVANCED TRANSPORTATION SOLUTIONS, LLC (ATS) FOR PROVISION OF PARATRANSIT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AND APPROVING THE USE OF CHARTER COUNTY TRANSIT SYSTEM SURTAX ("SURTAX") FUNDS

Ms. Lourdes Gomez, Executive Assistant, MDT, provided a brief overview of the contract and its relevance to the People's Transportation Plan. Additionally, she stated that this is a five-year contract and with a cap of \$55.4 million in Surtax Funds. This contract will be used to implement the Special Transportation Services (STS) Program. A discussion followed over the issue of advertising for STS. Mr. Libhaber stated that unlike other transit vehicles, Miami-Dade County does not own STS vehicles. They are owned by the STS provider, Advanced Transportation Solutions, LLC (ATS); therefore, the County would need to enter into some type of revenue-sharing agreement with ATS that would require a contract amendment to the existing STS contract, which expires in two months, or the new contract.

Mr. Buoniconti moved for approval of Action Item 6C; seconded by Mr. Reeder and carried without dissent.

- 6D. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION APPROVING THE USE OF SURTAX FUNDS FOR SMALL PURCHASE ORDERS USED BY MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT (MDT) FOR PURCHASES IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP)

Mr. Buoniconti moved for approval of Action Item 6D; seconded by Mr. Reeder and carried without dissent.

- 6E. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION APPROVING THE USE OF SURTAX FUNDS FOR SMALL PURCHASE ORDERS USED BY MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT (MDT) FOR PURCHASES IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2004

Ms. Gomez informed the Committee that Miami-Dade Transit (MDT) will be submitting other Small Purchase Orders for subsequent months on a monthly basis as recommended by the County Attorney. Mr. Moss moved for approval of Action Item 6E; seconded by Mr. Kelly and carried without dissent.

- 6F. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACTS, SUB ITEMS 1.1, 1.2, 4.2, 4.3, AND 4.4 OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PROCUREMENT MANAGEMENT'S COMMODITIES AND SERVICES CONTRACT AWARDS, FOR COMPETITIVE BIDS AND EMERGENCY PURCHASES FOR MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT (MDT)

Mr. Buoniconti moved for approval of Action Item 6F; seconded by Mr. Reeder and carried without dissent

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Mr. Percival, President of the Kendall Federation of Homeowners Associations, informed the Committee that he was recently made aware of several new bus routes in the Kendall area that will come online soon. One route that is not part of this lineup will run from the west end of S.W. 120th Street to S.W. 117th Ave and then south to the Falls

Shopping Center area. Mr. Percival asked the Committee to consider a recommendation to add another route that would continue north of S.W. 117th Avenue to SW 112th Street and connect to the existing routes, which would allow east-bound traffic to flow all the way to the Dadeland Metrorail station.

Other issues raised by Mr. Percival involved the S.W. 82nd Avenue road-opening project, which the Catalina Homeowners Coalition (Coalition) opposes. The Coalition has submitted to the Public Works Department (PWD) a list of proposed mitigation measures and recommendations such as traffic calming devices and circles at specific locations, which it feels would offset the impact of the road opening. Additionally, right-of-way acquisition on the east side of 82nd Avenue will be needed for the widening of the road, which will require additional funding. Mr. Percival requested that in the event this item comes before the CITT for PTP funding, it be approved. Mr. Moss, CITT, added that the District Commissioner's position is that if the PWD is agreeable to any of the citizen's recommendations, then he will support it. Lastly, Mr. Percival recommended the widening of Miller Road from 82nd Avenue to the Palmetto Expressway to alleviate traffic congestion in that area and discussed the issues associated with the S.W. 127th Avenue Project bicycle path configuration such as the preferred alternative, right-of-way acquisition, school parking, and funding issues.

LtCol Colmenares recommended that the School Board and the PWD work together and come up with some solutions and/or alternatives to address the issues raised.

NEW BUSINESS

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Project Review Committee meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2004, 3 p.m. at the Stephen P. Clark Center, 10th Floor CITT Conference Room.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:49 p.m.

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